What is *A BETTER CHANCE*?

Through the *ABC Program*, a national program with headquarters in New York City, motivated young men and women from educationally deprived settings are chosen to attend private and public secondary schools to prepare them for selective colleges. In Clinton, during the school year, eight male students live together in a house on the Hamilton College campus, supervised by resident directors who provide parental-type support to the students.

The purpose of this program is to prepare students academically for college, and resident and drop-in tutors from Hamilton College assist the students with their assignments on school nights. Research, writing, and computer skills are provided along with regular homework help, so that the students have the opportunity to acquire disciplined study habits. Students also benefit from interactions with their two host families whom they visit on alternate Sundays.

Since its inception, the Clinton *A Better Chance Program* has graduated more than seventy young men from Clinton High School. They have continued their education at colleges such as Cornell University, Columbia, Fordham, Gettysburg, Hamilton, Ithaca, Macalester, MIT, Princeton, University of Rochester, and Union.

The people in and around Clinton accept the students as friends and valued members of the community. These people raise virtually all the money needed to operate this program through personal donations, support of a golf tournament, poinsettia and luminary sales, and the twice yearly Bed and Breakfast program. In the process, all of our lives have been enriched. *A Better Chance of Clinton* offers families an alternative to staying in an area hotel during Commencement and Family weekends. Also known as the *ABC Program*, this volunteer-run organization raises money by providing accommodations with families in Clinton and the surrounding community.

Reservations: A variety of room combinations is available, but space is limited and a two-night minimum is required. Please make your reservations *as soon as possible* by returning the reservation form on the next page along with your $100 deposit.

Reservations will be accepted on a first come/first serve basis. A waiting list for cancellations will be maintained. Accommodations may or may not have a private bath.

Price: $100.00 per night (single or double occupancy) with a **2-night, $200.00 minimum**. Breakfast is included.

Payment: $100 deposit is required with your application. The balance is due no later than **September 20, 2010** for Family Weekend, or **April 11, 2011** for Commencement. Payment will be **non-refundable** unless we are able to fill your reserved room from the waiting list.

Questions? Phyllis Moore at (315) 853-5881 or philley2002@aol.com

Please fill out the separate form and return with your $100 deposit to: *Clinton ABC Program*, Phyllis Moore, 3892 Fountain Street, Clinton, NY 13323
Please indicate for which weekend you are requesting housing:

- Hamilton College Family Weekend • October 29-October 31, 2010
- Hamilton College Commencement Weekend • May 20-22, 2011

(Two-night minimum)

Arrival Date: ___________________________  Departure Date: ___________________________

Room #1  Room #2

Name(s) of guests: ___________________________  ___________________________

__________________________  ___________________________

Pet Allergies?  _____ no  _____yes  Please indicate type ___________________________

Person making reservation: __________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________

Phone: ___________________________

E-Mail Address: ___________________________

Name of Hamilton Student: ___________________________

Student Phone Number: ___________________________

A $100.00 deposit is due at the time of reservation. Please make checks payable to: Clinton ABC Program

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